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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR CY GR

SUBJ: CYPRUS: GOG REITERATES BASICS OF GREEK POLICY

1. GREEK FOREIGN MINISTER TETENES REPLIED TO QUESTION ON INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS AT WEEKLY PRESS BRIEFING DECEMBER 29 NOTING THAT TURNING POINT HAS BEEN REACHED. TETENES RECOUNTED WRITTEN PROPOSALS ON LOCAL SELF-ADMINISTRATION HAD BEEN SUBMITTED DECEMBER 18 BY BOTH SIDES. " AS A RESULT THE INTER-CYPRIOT TALKS HAVE ENTERED NEW TURNING POINT AIMED AT SAFEGUARDING THE PEACEFUL LIVING OF ALL INHABITANTS OF THE ISLAND." TURNING TO ISSUE OF CIVIL DISORDER, TETENES SAID GOG "STRESSES ONCE AGAIN NEED TO AVOID ACTS OF VIOLENCE AND COUNTER-VIOLENCE WHICH EVEN IF INSTIGATED BY PURE MOTIVES, RENDER MORE ACUTE DIVISIONS AMONG GREEKS OF CYPRUS AND DISTURB THE ISLAND'S CALM." HE REAFFIRMED GOG POSITION SUPPORTING INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS -- WE REITERATE THAT GOG INSISTS ON PROCEDURE OF STRENGTHENED INTER-CYPRIOT TALKS NOW BEING FOLLOWED."

2. COMMENT: TETENES' REMARKS TAKE SAME LINE AS PM ANDROUTSOPOULOS' NOVEMBER 28 SPEECH MAINTAINING POLICY INHERITED FRO PAPADOUPOULOS. THIS DOES NOT PRECLUDE  
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GOG'S CHANGING ATTITUDE AT LATER DATE TOWARD GRIVAS'

INSTIGATED DISTURBANCES. WE WILL CONTINUE TO WATCH FOR SIGNS OF ANY SHIFT IN GOG ORIENTATION TOWARD CYPRUS GOVERNMENT, PARTICULARLY ANY POSSIBLE NEW LINKAGE BETWEEN GOG LEADERSHIP AND GENERAL GRIVAS. MFA OFFICIALS HAVE TOLD EMBOFFS THAT BEFORE BECOMING FOREIGN MINISTER TETENES WAS COMPLETELY UNINFORMED ON CYPRUS BUT HAS SINCE IMMERSSED HIMSELF THROUGH SERIES OF BRIEFINGS, PARTICULARLY BEFORE THE NATO MINISTERIAL MEETINGS TO WHICH HE TOOK THE FULL GOG CYPRUS TEAM. CYPRUS AMBASSADOR KRNAIDIOTIS RECENTLY TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT CYPRUS GOVERNMENT REGARDED VIEWS OF NEW GREEK GOVERNMENT ON CYPRUS AS SATISFACTORY FROM HIS GOVERNMENT'S STANDPOINT.  
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